1	2
5. Delhi	21951
6. Gauhati	14470
7. Gujarat	Not available
8. Himachal Pradesh	1984
9. Jammu & Kashmir	31093
10. Karnataka	97544
11. Kerala	33869
12. Madhya Pradesh**	16908
13. Madras	69890
14. Orissa	21772
15. Patna	29029
16. Punjab & Haryana @	43457
17. Rajasthan***	31414
18. Sikkim	45

** Pendency as on 31.10.96

@ Pendency as on 30.09.96

*** Pendency as on 31.03.96

[English]

Import of Textile Machinery

6597. SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to ban import of second hand textile machinery; and

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI R.L. JALAPPA) : (a) No such proposal is under consideration at present.

(b) Does not arise.

Jute Mills

6598. DR. ASIM BALA : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Jute Mills owners are converting their composite jute mill into spinning unit;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the jute mills owners put stress on production of fine yarn instead of traditional products like sacking and hessian; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI R.L. JALAPPA) : (a) to (d) Some jute mill owners have started manufacture of fine jute yarn in addition to their traditional products like sacking and hessians. Manufacture of fine jute yarn is due to installation of additional capacity and not due to diversion of existing capacity of jute mills for manufacture of traditional products like hessian and sacking. This has been necessitated due to development of new demand for fine jute yarn mainly in the export markets. The Handloom and Powerloom sectors in the country are also now in need of fine jute yarn due to scarcity and very high price for cotton yarns.

[Translation]

Export of Textiles

6599. SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ :
DR. MAHADEEPAK SINGH SHAKYA :

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) the value of cotton yarn, cloth and garments exported during 1994-95, 1995-96 and 1996-97 separately and foreign exchange earned therefrom;

(b) whether the export of readymade garments is necessary to earn maximum foreign exchange; and

(c) if so, the steps taken to provide incentive to textile industry in order to earn maximum foreign exchange and the prospective plan of the Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER FOR TEXTILES (SHRI R.L. JALAPPA) : (a) The details of foreign exchange earned from the exports of cotton yarn, cloth and garments during the last three years have been as follows :

Value in Million US dollars

(Provisional)

	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97
Cotton yarn	832.34	1011.54	1501.50
Cloth	1513.65	1661.06	1870.49
Ready-made garments	4433.83	4453.31	4762.10